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re Application of Group Art Unit: 2875 Examiner: Ward, John A. McCoy, John DECLARATION OF BY JOHN McCOY Serial No. 10/826,547 (37 CFR 1.131) Filed: April 16, 2004 CERTIFICATE OF MAILING For: ILLUMINATED ORNAMENTAL I hereby certify that the correspondence enclosed herein is being deposited as first class mail with the United States Postal Service on this date PURSE eember 24, 2005, in an envelope addressed to: Asst. Commissioner for DANATISZOG Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.) Asst. Commissioner for Patents HW WCCOY Washington, D.C. 20231

DECLARATION

- I, John McCoy, named inventor on the above captioned application declare as follows:
- 1. I had the original idea for my invention, the subject of the patent application entitled ILLUMINATED ORNAMENTAL PURSE on a date prior to October 10, 2001.
- 2. I created drawings of an embodiment of my invention that is covered by the claims of the pending application as early as August 3-5, 2001. I attach as "Exhibit A" true and correct copies of those drawings dated August 3-5, 2001. In the lower right handcorner of these drawings, there is a signature block that contains my signature that was executed on August 3-5, 2001. Next to my signatures, there are the signatures of Marjorie Thompson, dated August 3-5, 2001. This witness read and understood my drawings as representing an Illuminated Ornamental Purse.
- 3. I constructed a physical prototype of an embodiment of my invention on or before August 20, 2001. I attach as "Exhibit B" true and correct copies of photographs of the prototype. The photographs show all the features of the ILLUMINATED ORNAMENTAL PURSE that are set forth in pending claim 1. The prototype also is signed by me on or about August 20, 2001, as shown in one of the photographs attached as Exhibit B. This same photograph also shows a signature from Marjorie Thompson. This signature was affixed to the prototype on or about August 20, 2001 by this person.

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I constructed a physical prototype of an embodiment of my invention on or before February 7, 4. 2002. I attach as "Exhibit C" true and correct copies of photographs of the prototype. The photographs show all the features of the ILLUMINATED ORNAMENTAL PURSE that are set forth in pending claim 1. The prototype also is signed by me on or about February 7, 2002, as shown in one of the photographs attached as Exhibit C. This same photograph also shows a signature from Alex Carroll. This signature was affixed to the prototype on or about February 7, 2002 by this person.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18, U.S.C. and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Dated: 12/24/95

By: John McCoy